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ENTERTAINMENT EXECUTIVE CHARGED WITH RECEIVING AND DISTRIBUTING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

LOS ANGELES—A Beverly Hills production company executive was arrested today and charged with receiving and distributing numerous images of child pornography over the Internet as part of a massive investigation that originated in Fresno.

Anthony Logan, 62, was taken into custody by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents and Fresno County Sheriff's Department detectives this morning at an apartment in Van Nuys. Agents searched a laptop and desktop computer found at the apartment and conducted a preliminary forensic investigation that yielded hundreds of images of child pornography.

Logan, a partner with CineVision Entertainment, directs "Fine Art Treasures", a live art auction show that airs on DirecTV and Dish Network. According to the company's website, the program has been seen by more than 40 million viewers.

Logan is one of five original targets in an investigation into a child pornography distribution scheme that has turned up leads on more than 120 individuals. Court papers document an extensive ICE investigation that began with a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) and subsequently involved the Fresno County Sheriff's Department. Analysis of Logan's e-mail account uncovered a large volume of stored images and movie files of child pornography. The images included prepubescent children engaged in sexually explicit conduct and children as young as a few months old being sexually abused by adults.

"Sexual predators – particularly those who prey on infants and children – will not go unpunished for their despicable crimes," said Scott Brown, resident agent-in-charge for ICE investigations in Fresno where Logan's case will be prosecuted. "We will continue to work closely with our enforcement partners to stop this heinous, criminal activity."

The investigation into Logan is part of ICE's Operation Predator, a comprehensive initiative aimed at those who prey on and exploit children, including human traffickers, international sex tourists, Internet pornographers, and foreign national predators whose crimes make them deportable. Since Operation Predator was launched in July 2003, ICE agents have arrested more than 5,700 individuals, including nearly 1,500 in California.

Additional information about Operation Predator is available on the Web at www.ice.gov. ICE encourages the reporting of suspected child predators and any suspicious activity through its toll-free hotline at 1-866-DHS-2ICE. This hotline is staffed around the clock by investigators. Suspected child sexual exploitation or missing children may be reported to NCMEC, an Operation Predator partner, at 1-800-843-5678.

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U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement was established in March 2003 as the largest investigative arm of the Department of Homeland Security. ICE is comprised of five integrated divisions that form a 21st century law enforcement agency with broad responsibilities for a number of key homeland security priorities.